\jth March A SPA.VISH RAID NEAR PLYMOUTH

Three nights since a Spanish pinnace came into Cawsand Bay -with twenty-five men in her, who landed armed with muskets, and fixed barrels of powder and brimstone to the doors of fh e se\ eral houses and to two boats, and set them on fire, whereby the whole \illage would have been burned had not force arrived A man having fired one shot at them, they all fled to their pinnace and put to sea

2oth March MR THOMAS ARUNDEL

Mr Arundel being still restrained because of his Earldom from the Emperor complameth that he is more straitly treated than was Sir Anthony Shirley Moreover, saith he, this will be a slender satisfaction to the Emperor and a certain breaking off of all -well-hoped-for proceedings of amity with the Queen, for the princes of Germany cannot but take it very ill when they shall see the Queen attempt to infringe their privileges by taking on her the unmaking of an Earl Imperial, all Italy and Germany will <u>think</u> her not willing to offend the Turk Besides, though a King can make an Earl, yet cannot an Earl be unmade but being tried and convicted by his peers

zist March EVASION OF COMMON CHARGES

Sundry persons of good ability in the county of Middlesex are refusing to contnbute the reasonable taxation at which they are assessed by their neighbours, some alleging that they are merchants and have their habitations in London, others pretending that they are mint men, moneyers, or have their living in other counties, or privileged by reason of her Majesty's service The Council require that all manner of persons, under the degree of Lord of Parliament or of the Privy Council, that inhabit or hold any houses or land in the county

shall henceforth pay these sums , wherein, if any refuse to contribute, then shall the commissioners for musters require them friendly to contribute as good and dutiful subjects ought to do with their neighbours in this public service And if any of them persist, then to inform the Council, who will take such further order with them as may be convenient

To the like effect complaints are being made by inhabitants of the liberties of Salisbury Court and Ely Rents, alleging that